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TO RUEHBAC/AMEMBASSY CANBERRA IMMEDIATE 2527

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SUBJECT: LOS: INTERSESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS

REF: (A) STATE 11691 (B) SINGAPORE 295 (C) KUALA
LUMPUR 537 (D) JAKARTA 1141

1. AMBASSADOR ELLIOT RICHARDSON HAS BEEN NOMINATED TO HEAD USLOS DELEGATION (SEPTTEL). WE REGRET THAT HE WILL BE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN CONSULTATIONS ON THE DATES PREVIOUSLY PLANNED (REFS A-D). WE, THEREFORE, PREFER TO POSTPONE CONSULTATIONS UNTIL LATER DATE SO THAT HE MAY PARTICIPATE.

2. EMBASSIES JAKARTA, KUALA LUMPUR, SINGAPORE AND TOKYO ARE REQUESTED TO NOTIFY HOST GOVERNMENTS OF POSTPONE-
MENT, AND EXPRESS REGRETS FOR INCONVENIENCE. YOU ARE ALSO REQUESTED TO ENQUIRE IF FOLLOWING SCHEDULE IS SATISFACTORY: TOKYO 25 MARCH; KUALA LUMPUR 28-29 MARCH; SINGAPORE 30 MARCH, JAKARTA 31 MARCH-1 APRIL. FOCUS OF DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE STRAITS IN ALL CAPITALS EXCEPT JAKARTA, WHERE FOCUS WOULD BE ARCHIPELAGOES.

3. AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON HOPES TO HEAD USLOS DELEGATION TO FEBRUARY 28 EVENSEN GROUP MEETING ON DEEP SEABED MINING IN GENEVA AND LOOKS FORWARD TO MEETING WITH HOST GOVERNMENT DELEGATIONS THERE.

4. EMBASSY CANBERRA IS REQUESTED TO NOTIFY APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF PARAS 1-3. AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON LOOKS FORWARD TO MEETING GOA OFFICIALS DURING THE EVENSEN GROUP MEETING. VANCE

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